

HOUSE RESOLUTION 287
By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Miss Mary Margaret Pilcher of Somerville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the untimely death of Miss Mary Margaret Pilcher at the tender age of 18 years; and

WHEREAS, a native Tennessean born in Memphis on October 18, 1985, Mary Margaret Pilcher was an extraordinary young lady whose beauty and charm were only surpassed by her kindness and consideration for others and the joy she brought to all who had the privilege to know her; and

WHEREAS, deeply admired by her many friends and fellow students at Fayette Academy, Mary Pilcher was a member of the Senior Class, Captain of the Varsity Cheerleading squad, and had been voted "Most Likely to Succeed" by her classmates; and

WHEREAS, involved in numerous school clubs and organizations, Mary was the class representative for football homecoming 2003, an officer of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, a Junior Rotarian and a member of the Beta Club and the Drama Club; and

WHEREAS, an endearing young lady, Mary Margaret Pilcher was an employee of Somerville Cleaners where she served with acumen and alacrity, earning the respect of her supervisors and the confidence and friendship of her customers; and

WHEREAS, Miss Pilcher was an active and devout member of the Somerville First United Methodist Church, which she served faithfully as President of the Methodist Youth Fellowship and as a five-year member of the Adult Chancel Choir. She had attended Lakeshore Summer Camp every year since 1995, serving as a certified counselor for the camp the past three years; and

WHEREAS, Mary Margaret Pilcher was also truly devoted to her family and will be deeply mourned by her beloved parents, James Tracy "Jim" Pilcher and Atha Flatt Pilcher, her paternal grandmother, Carolyn Pilcher, and maternal grandfather, James N. Flatt; and

WHEREAS, Miss Mary Margaret Pilcher leaves behind indelible memories of her vibrant personality and ever present smile, her intense loyalty to family, and her love of life that for too short a time she shared with the world; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the life of this exceptional young lady who has passed from our lives in the full bloom of youth and promise; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Mary Margaret Pilcher, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our deepest sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Miss Pilcher.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.